

Amendments to the Specification

IN THE TITLE

Please change USPTO records to indicate that the title to be used in this application is ---THERMALLY SENSITIVE RECORDING MEDIUM---, which title coincides with the title appearing in the English translation of the specification.

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Regarding the polymerization degree of ~~hydroxymethyl~~hydroxyethyl cellulose, the inventors of the present invention₇ have found that the viscosity of aqueous solution, which relates with the polymerization degree, is important. Specifically, B viscosity of 2% aqueous solution is 300mPa·s or less, desirably is 300mPa·s or less. When the viscosity of aqueous solution becomes too high, the preparation of a coating becomes hard. When the viscosity of aqueous solution becomes too low, generally, the polymerization degree becomes low too, therefore, it is necessary to increase the using amount for the purpose to obtain sufficient water-holding ability, and the lower limit is considered to be around 5mPa·s.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 32, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the meanwhile, compared with hydroxyethyl ~~cellulose~~cellulose, since carboxymethyl cellulose is inferior in absorption to clay, exists mainly in water. Therefore, is excellent in water-holding ability before a blade (static water-holding ability). Therefore, by using carboxymethyl cellulose together with ~~hydroxymethyl~~hydroxyethyl cellulose, good coated surface can be obtained and coating aptitude of coating is considered to be improved.